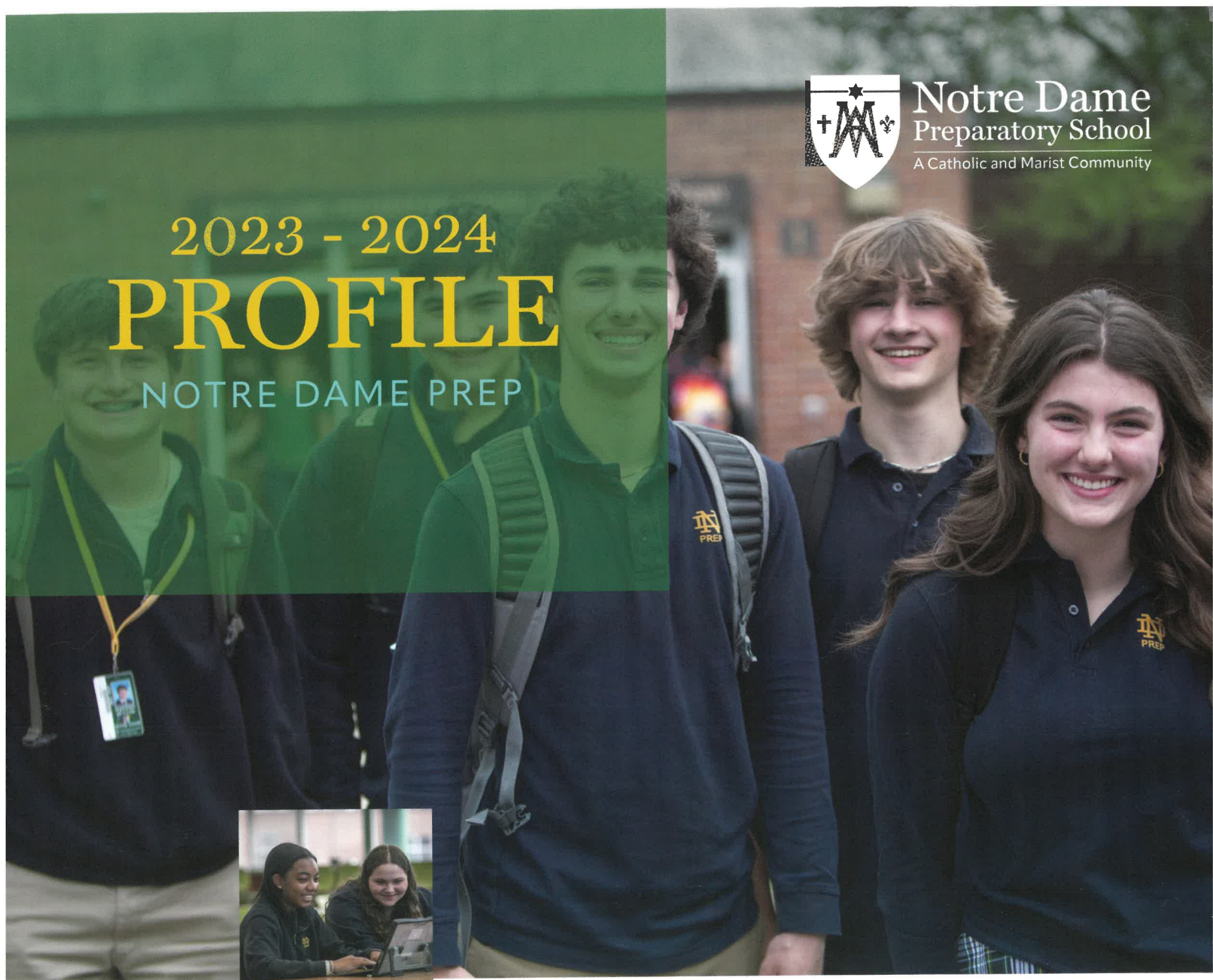




**Notre Dame
Preparatory School**
A Catholic and Marist Community

2023 - 2024 PROFILE

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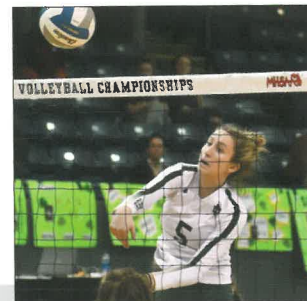


Notre Dame Preparatory School is a co-educational, Pre-K through 12th grade Catholic school in Southeast Michigan. Cardinal Adam Maida, archbishop of Detroit, invited the Marist Fathers and Brothers to sponsor a school in Oakland County in 1994. Nestled on a 100-acre campus in Pontiac, Mich., the school currently is in its 30th year.



MISSION STATEMENT

Notre Dame Preparatory School works with God to form Christian people, upright citizens, and academic scholars.



NOTE: In March 2020, with the onset of the pandemic, NDPMA transitioned to online learning. During virtual learning, students continued with their college prep curriculum. Teachers hosted Zoom classroom meetings and lessons, and students accessed their assignments online through PowerSchool Learning. Classes continued on an eight-day rotating schedule and students were responsible for course work in five classes each day. Since August 2020, Notre Dame students returned to in-person learning.



FACULTY

One-hundred twelve (112) faculty members educate 1,043 students across three distinct but coordinated academic divisions: Notre Dame Prep's lower school (Pre-K through 5), the middle school (6-8), and upper school (9-12). Three out of four hold a post-graduate degree.

SCHEDULE

Students follow an A/B rotating schedule. Four of eight classes meet each day for eighty minutes.

CURRICULUM

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

Notre Dame was the first Catholic high school in Michigan authorized as an International Baccalaureate (IB) World School and the first Catholic school in the United States to offer the IB curriculum at all grade levels. Notre Dame offers eighteen (18) IB Diploma Program courses across multiple subject areas and students may choose to complete the full IB Diploma or to enroll for certificates in individual classes. There are currently ten (10) full IB Diploma students in grade 12 and twenty-five (25) in grade 11.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Beginning in 10th grade, students may choose from 17 AP courses in an array of disciplines. In 2023, 337 students took 691 exams; 374 exams earned a 3 or higher; 93 students were named an AP Scholar or better.

HONORS

Students may select from 12 honors courses in a variety of disciplines.

2023-2024 COURSE OFFERINGS (+ HONORS)

Performing Arts

Symphony Band +
Marching Band +
Jazz Band +
Irishmen
Women's Choir
Chamber Choir
Praise and Worship
Songwriting

Visual Arts

Art Foundations
Drawing and Painting
Advanced Drawing
Advanced Painting
Ceramics
(intro, intermed., advanced)
Digital Photography
(basic, advanced)
IB Visual Arts
AP Art Studio

Social Studies

World Cultures
U.S. History
American Government
Economics
Law
Forensic Psychology
AP U.S. History
AP European History
AP Comparative Government
IB History HL
IB/AP Macroeconomics
IB/AP Psychology
IB Theory of Knowledge

Mathematics

Algebra 1
Algebra 2+
Algebra Foundations
Geometry +
Trigonometry
Pre-Calculus
Honors Integrated Math 9 and 10
Math Applications
Personal Finance
AP Calculus
AP Pre-Calculus
IB Math SL Applications and Interpretation
IB Math HL 1 and 2 Analysis and Approaches

World Language

Spanish 1-5 +

AP Spanish Language
Mandarin Chinese 4 +
AP Mandarin Chinese

Business and Technology

Entrepreneurship and Marketing
Fundamentals of Computer Science
Computer Aided Design (CAD) (intermed., adv.) +
AP Computer Science Principles
AP Computer Science A

Religion

The Bible
Who is Jesus Christ?
Paschal Mystery
Sacraments
Foundations of Christian Morality
Catholic Social Teachings
Moral Issues
Christian History
World Religions

Health and Physical Education

Health and Physical Education
Sports Medicine
Team Sports
Mind and Body Wellness

Science

Biology
Earth Science
Chemistry +
AP Chemistry
Astronomy
Anatomy and Physiology
IB Biology SL and HL
AP Biology
Physics
AP Physics
IB Environmental Science SL
Engineering and Empathy
Horticulture
Botany

English

Language and Literature
Language and American Literature 1 and 2
Language and British Literature 1 and 2
Language and World Literature 1 and 2
AP English Language and Composition 1 and 2
AP English Literature and Composition 1 and 2
IB English HL 1 and 2: Language and Literature
Personal Project
Public Speaking
Yearbook

	2023	2022	2021	2020
AVERAGE ACT	26.1	24.7	27.0	26.5
ACT SCORES +30	30	41	50	32
% OF STUDENTS SCORING 3+ ON AP EXAM	54	55	49	67
% OF DP CANDIDATES EARNING IB DIPLOMA	65	78	90	86
AP SCHOLARS	95	100	73	73
NATIONAL MERIT SEMI-FINALISTS	1	2	5	1
NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS	1	2	3	1
NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNERS	0	0	1	0

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must pass 7.0 credits per year and earn a total of 28 credits.

Religion	4.0
English	4.0
Mathematics	4.0
Science	3.0
Social Studies	3.0
including Economics	0.5
Government	0.5
Modern Language	2.0
Health and Physical Education	1.0
Fundamentals of Computer Science	0.5
Visual or Performing Arts	1.0

ADVOCACY AND CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP FORMATION

A service learning initiative designed to equip students with lifelong skills of personal and leadership engagement, living and serving in a global society. The four-year progressive formation is interwoven in the school curriculum and allows for students to grow in awareness of current social issues and how they can personally invest in change.

GRADING

We do not rank students. Notre Dame does not believe rank provides a valid measure of students in a highly successful class.

Grading Scale

	GRADE	GPA	HONORS	IB and AP
93-100	A+, A	4.0	4.5	5.0
90-92	A-	3.7	4.2	4.7
87-89	B+	3.3	3.8	4.3
83-86	B	3.0	3.5	4.0
80-82	B-	2.7	3.2	3.7
77-79	C+	2.3	2.8	3.3
73-76	C	2.0	2.5	3.0
70-72	C-	1.7	2.2	2.7
67-69	D+	1.3	1.3	1.3
63-66	D	1.0	1.0	1.0
60-62	D-	0.7	0.7	0.7

BY THE NUMBERS

#2

Best Catholic High School in Michigan; No. 10 Best Private High School in Michigan; and No. 5 Best Private K-12 School in Michigan – Niche.com

76

Percent of students who participated on at least one athletic team in 2022-2023

16

Teams that earned team academic all-state honors in 2022-2023

19

Students in a classroom (on average)

26.1

Average ACT composite score compared to national average of 20.6

37

State championships won: competitive cheerleading, boys golf, girls skiing, girls soccer, volleyball and 21 individual titles

36

At least one student has recorded a perfect ACT score in 10 of the last 14 years

305

Regional Scholastic Art Awards (gold, silver and honorable mention) and 33 National Scholastic Art Medals (gold and silver) since 2014

39

K-12 schools in the United States are Microsoft Showcase Schools, including Notre Dame

30

Students from the Class of 2023 scored a 30 or higher on the ACT last year

12

State championship titles in robotics across all three schools of Notre Dame, offering VEX IQ, VEX EDR, OCCRA and FIRST

23

Different clubs and organizations

2023 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES AND MATRICULATION

The Class of 2023 received offers from 142 colleges and universities across the country and the world. Bolded institutions indicate an offer acceptance and enrollment.

Albion College

Aquinas College

Arizona State University

Auburn University

Aurora University

Baldwin Wallace University

Ball State University

Baylor University

Belmont University

Berklee College of Music

Berry College

Bluegrass Community and
Technical College

Boston College

Bowling Green State University

Butler University

Calvin University

Carroll University

Case Western Reserve University

Central Michigan University

Clemson University

Cleveland State University

College for Creative Studies

Colorado College

Colorado State University

Cornell University

Duquesne University

Eastern Michigan University

**Embry-Riddle Aeronautical
University**

Ferris State University

Florida Southern College

Florida State University

Georgetown University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Grand Valley State University

Hillsdale College

Hope College

Illinois Institute of Technology

Indiana University-Bloomington

John Carroll University

Kalamazoo College

Kansas State University

Kettering University

Lake Forest College

Lawrence Technological University

Loras College

Louisiana State University

Loyola Marymount University

Loyola University-Chicago

Lynn University

Macomb Community College

Marietta College

Marquette University

Miami University-Oxford

Michigan State University

Michigan Technological University

Montana State University

Muskingum University

North Carolina State University

at Raleigh

Northern Michigan University

Northwestern University

Northwood University

Nova Southeastern University

Oakland University

Ohio State University

Pennsylvania State University

Pepperdine University

Purdue University

Queens University of Charlotte

Rochester College

Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology

Sacred Heart University

Saginaw Valley State University

Saint Louis University

Savannah College of Art & Design

Slippery Rock University

Southern Illinois University

SUNY Buffalo State

Sweet Briar College

Syracuse University

Tarleton State University

Texas A & M University

The George Washington University

The University of Alabama

The University of North Carolina -
Chapel Hill

The University of Tennessee

Thomas Jefferson University

Tiffin University

Trine University

Tulane University of Louisiana

United States Air Force Academy

University of Arizona

University of Birmingham-U.K.

University of California-Davis

University of California-Los Angeles

University of Central Oklahoma

University of Cincinnati

University of Colorado Boulder

University of Colorado-Denver

University of Connecticut

University of Dayton

University of Denver

University of Detroit Mercy

University of Edinburgh

University of Florida

University of Georgia

University of Houston

University of Kansas

University of Kentucky

University of Leeds

University of Manchester

University of Miami

University of Michigan

University of Michigan-
Dearborn

University of Michigan-Flint

University of Minnesota

University of Mississippi

University of Missouri-Columbia

University of North Carolina
at Charlotte

University of Notre Dame

University of Oklahoma

University of Oregon

University of Pittsburgh

University of Richmond

University of Rochester

University of San Diego

University of South Carolina

University of Southern Indiana

University of the Incarnate Word

University of the Pacific

University of Vermont

University of Washington

University of Wisconsin-

Madison

Villanova University

Virginia Tech

Wake Forest University

Walsh University

Wayne State University

West Virginia University

Western Michigan University

William & Mary

Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Xavier University

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